



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS... Mr. and Mrs. James M. Larkins, of 1012 Arlington ave., who recently observed their 50th wedding anniversary with an open-house party and buffet supper at home. Larkins was recently retired following service with National Supply Company. (Dixie Lee photo)

Noted Decorator Is Guest Speaker At Club Meeting

"Interiors in the Small Home" was the topic for discussion at the regular business meeting of Torrance Junior Woman's Club held last night in the clubhouse. Presented by Mrs. Don C. Moshos, program chairman, the guest speaker was Mrs. Mark Katish, San Pedro decorator and graduate of New York Art School.

Mrs. Katish was winner of first prize for a yacht interior submitted in the recent Los Angeles Boat Show. It was learned. The Arts and Crafts section will meet tonight at the home of Mrs. E. V. Winklebauer. Members of this group are working on copper pictures and boxes.

Torrance Council Parent-Teachers At Board Meeting

Torrance Council of P.T.A. held its initial executive meeting Tuesday morning in Torrance Elementary auditorium with Mrs. William E. Bowen, president, conducting the meeting.

Principal business of the meeting was the ratification of committees and the outlining of the year's work.

Shears Children Celebrate Fourth, Fifth Birthdays

David and Dicky, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shears, 2271 Torrance blvd., celebrated their fourth and fifth birthday, respectively, with a delightful party at the family home Tuesday afternoon of last week.

Birthday cake and ice cream were served to 20 relatives and friends of the young celebrants.

CLARINET SOLOS TO BE PRESENTED

To be featured on the program of Torrance Elementary P.T.A. meeting this afternoon are clarinet solos by Abe Milstein, director of music for Torrance schools. His accompanist will be Mrs. Howard A. Wood.

WALTERIA PTA WELL ATTENDED EVENING MEET

Preceded by a pot luck supper, the regular meeting of Walteria P.T.A. was held Thursday evening in the school. Mrs. B. J. Michels presided and presented Principal D. B. Kirks, who gave the inspirational message.

The program was presented by the fathers, with J. Austin Beasley as master of ceremonies.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by the Boy Scouts.

Miss Schooley presented a group of Bettie Thomas' Accordionettes, who played several numbers. Mr. Abe Milstein, director of music in the Torrance schools, accompanied by Mrs. Howard A. Wood, played three clarinet numbers, "Arabesque No. 2," "Estrellita" and "Twilight Time."

Mrs. B. J. Michels, president, announced the First District Conference in El Monte, set for Jan. 22. Several members of the Walteria P.T.A. Association will attend. Mrs. Evar Jansson announced that Mrs. Michels, Mrs. Paul Sloneker and she had attended an informal meeting of the executive board of the Torrance Council of Parents and Teachers held Wednesday at the home of the president, Mrs. W. E. Bowen, in Torrance.

She also reported that Walteria school had been chosen for the regular Council meeting in April.

Mrs. Michels in reporting her attendance at the last meeting of the Torrance Advisory Board asked for the opinion of members of the local association in regard to the Torrance building program, so that she might report to her board at the next meeting.

Several members expressed a desire to take advantage of the correspondence course offered P.T.A. members by the State. This course includes study of history, organization and leadership in Parent-Teacher work.

On recommendation by the board, the Association voted to purchase a life membership.

Mrs. Eva Kelley, Founder's Day chairman, is arranging a play to be presented on Founders' Day, Feb. 17, with George Powell as director.

Mrs. William L. Roy reported the current membership at 202.

Mrs. Showler's fourth grade room was presented with the room prize for having ten parents present at the evening meeting.

A request for gifts of silverware for use at P.T.A. meetings, made by Mrs. John Minor, concluded the business session.

Mrs. B. J. Michels' home was the setting for the executive board meeting held Friday Jan. 2.

Chicagoans Are Entertained On Motor Trip

Exhibiting some of the beauty spots of the Southland to their Chicago guests, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ver Jones of Post ave., returned Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cook of Chicago from a motor trip to San Diego, the Salton Sea, and Riverside. The Cooks are the parents of Mrs. Gray V. Jones of Long Beach, with whom they have been spending the past month. Mr. and Mrs. Cook will return to their Chicago home on Monday.

Marriage Licenses

Lawrence J. MacArthur, 1587 W. 214th street, Torrance, and Constant L. Wetzel, 1516 W. 223rd street, Torrance.

Tom T. Wiyawaki, Rt 1 Box 857, Lomita and Chizuko Matsuka, 2935 S. Budlong, Los Angeles.

Melvin L. R. Benner, 1328 Andreo, Torrance and Audrey S. Williams, 1516 W. 203rd street, Torrance.

SUBMARINE HELPS

A Navy submarine, the only seagoing craft which provides a stable platform, is helping American scientists make accurate gravity measurements at sea.



VIVIAN E. OLIVER

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Oliver, of 1904 Gramercy ave., have announced the engagement of their daughter Vivian Eleanor to Mr. Irving Spencer Caulkins, son of Mrs. Laura Caulkins, of Corona and formerly of Lomita.

Miss Oliver was graduated from Torrance High School, attended El Camino Junior College and is now employed in the Production Department of National Supply Company. Her fiancé, a Narbonne High graduate, served with the Seabees for two years during the war and is now employed with Union Oil Company at Wilmington. No wedding date has been set.

Eastern Star Initiation Set For Tonight

Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a stated meeting in Masonic Temple this evening.

Mrs. Billie Kerber and her committee will have charge of arrangements.

A class of candidates will be initiated by Worthy Matron Edna Babcock, Worthy Patron Vincent Viellerave and their staff of officers.

OBITUARY

JOHN BENJAMIN SMITH
John Benjamin Smith, 77, brother of R. R. Smith of Torrance's second family, died at the Harbor General Hospital, Jan. 9. He was formerly employed with the National Supply Co. for 37 years before his retirement seven and a half years ago. He is survived by his widow, Mary, two sons, Clinton A. of Colton and Percy J. of Taft; his brother Richard of Torrance; and six grandchildren. Services were held in the Stone and Myers Chapel Jan. 12. Conducting the rites were Rev. Clyde E. Ruckman, of the Methodist Church, and Rev. Harry Branton, former minister of the local Methodist Church. Interment was in Inglewood Cemetery.

MARY VIRGINIA MARTIN
Mary Virginia Martin, 28, former Torrance resident, died Jan. 10 in the Los Angeles General Hospital. Rosary was recited Jan. 12 by Rev. Thomas Cosgrove of the Church of the Nativity. Services were held at the Stone and Myers Mortuary on Jan. 13. Interment was at the Holy Cross Cemetery. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Constantino Martin, and two brothers John and Tony.

ROBERT CLIFTON WRIGHT JR.

Robert Clifton Wright Jr., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clifton Wright Sr., 1317 1/2 Crenshaw blvd., passed away Wednesday morning, Jan. 14, at the age of 18 days. He is survived by his parents and his grandparents, Mrs. Pauline Wright of Torrance and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Herman of Los Angeles. Graveside services are being handled by Stone and Myers. The Rev. Francis Cook will officiate at the services to be held in Roosevelt Park at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 10.

Torrance High Student Play Friday Night

Torrance High School will present the popular play "Sun-Up," by Lulu Volmer, at the school auditorium Friday, Jan. 16, at 8:15 p.m.

The play, first produced in New York during 1923, ran for three years and was widely acclaimed by Broadway critics. The play portrays the different stages of adjustment a returned soldier of World War I experienced. Central characters are Ma, Rufe and Emmy.

Playing the leading role will be Bill Carstens as Rufe. Jane Lafferty as Emmy Todd, and Jean Arney as Ma. The supporting cast will include Wilson Paxton as Pap Todd, Bill Carlton as Sheriff Weeks, Phil Gill a stranger, Bill Morgan as Bob, and the Preacher will be enacted by Ronald Hazelwood.

Production staff will be headed by J. L. Elmore, who will direct; student director, Jean Mumford; stage manager, Phil Anast; lighting, Jerry Erniss and Don Russ; construction foreman, Bill Garner; costumes, Naomi Barrett and Paula Hughes.

Admission prices for the performance will be adults 80 cents, children 50 cents.

Police To Aid Local Youths

The Torrance Police Officers Association held their annual meeting Jan. 14 and elected the following officers:

W. H. Haslam, president; M. Porter, vice president; Gale Whitacre, secretary; and A. S. Thompson, treasurer.

Chief J. H. Stroh, D. C. Cook and S. Johnson were elected to the Board of Trustees.

To aid organized youth programs, three committees were set up to investigate the possibility of participating in youth activities. Appointed to the athletic committee are: S. A. Johnson, D. C. Cook, and H. G. Trezise. Comprising the band committee are: H. M. Porter, L. J. Beal and J. W. Macstri. The dance committee is composed of the following: Capt. E. M. Ashton, K. H. Friberg, and J. W. Holmes.

STROH CONFINED TO HOME AFTER COLLAPSE AT DESK

Police Chief John Stroh has been confined to his home for the past week after he collapsed at his desk last Thursday from a poisoning that has affected the use of his hands and feet.

The ailment has had physicians stumped as to the exact cause of the poisoning, it was reported.

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